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FM AMEMBASSY OTTAWA

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INFO AMCONSUL CALGARY

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ENRG CA

SUBJECT: ENERGY: SARNIA-MONTREAL PIPELINE

REF: OTTAWA 446

1. WHILE EMBASSY UNABLE TO VERIFY DETAILS OF THE DRAFT FINANCIAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN GOC AND INTERPROVINCIAL PIPE LINE (IPL), ENERGY MINISTER MACDONALD IS QUOTED IN PRESS OF FEBRUARY 26 AS STATING THAT, IN ADDITION TO PROTECTING IPL AGAINST REVENUE LOSSES IN OPERATION OF THE PLANNED SARNIA-MONTREAL PIPELINE, THE PROPOSED AGREEMENT GIVES THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT THE OPTION OF PURCHASING THE LINE AT THE POINT WHEN IPL MIGHT BE REQUIRED TO REQUEST ITS FIRST SUBSIDY PAYMENTS.

2. ACCORDING TO MINISTER MACDONALD, COPIES OF THE AGREEMENT WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE COMMONS RESOURCES COMMITTEE (PROBABLY IN EARLY MARCH) WHEN THE COMMITTEE MUST  
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CONSIDER ENRGY, MINES AND RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

SPENDING ESTIMATES, INCLUDING AUTHORITY FOR THE GOC  
TO MAKE PAYMENTS TO IPL, IF NECESSARY.

3. MACDONALD ALSO REPORTEDLY SAID THAT THE AGREEMENT  
WITH IPL CANNOT BE FINALLY SIGNED UNTIL THE GOVERNMENT  
RECEIVES THE SPENDING APPROVAL FROM THE PARLIAMENT.  
AS INDICATED IN REFTTEL, HOWEVER, THE NATIONAL ENERGY  
BOARD WOULD PROBABLY NOT BE WILLING TO APPROVE  
CONSTRUCTION APPLICATION UNTIL THE AGREEMENT IS SIGNED  
AND SEALED.  
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